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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated May 17, 2002, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on September 17, 2002. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

For the Examiner's convenience, all of the claims currently pending are shown in their entirety.

Please amend claim 11 to read as follows:

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